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Applicants: Junji MASUMOTO et al. Art Unit: 2625  
Application No.: 10/510,049 Examiner: Tyler, N.  
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TRANSMITTAL OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
AFTER NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE  
BUT BEFORE PAYMENT OF ISSUE FEE (37 CFR 1.97(d))

Sir:

The Information Disclosure Statement transmitted herewith is being filed after the Notice of Allowance under 37 CFR 1.311 but before the payment of the Issue Fee.

In accordance with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.97(d):

- 1) Accompanying this transmittal is a certification, as specified in 37 CFR 1.97(e).
- 2) Applicants submit the petition fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(p) (\$180.00) for submission of the Information Statement Disclosure.

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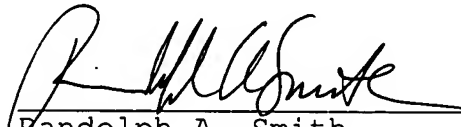
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THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE THIS FEE AND ANY OTHER  
FEES WHICH MAY BE REQUIRED OR CREDIT ANY OVERPAYMENT TO THE  
CREDIT CARD NUMBER LISTED ON THE ATTACHED CREDIT CARD PAYMENT  
FORM (PTO-2038 FORM), REFERENCING ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.  
0074/044001. A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS PAPER IS ENCLOSED.

Respectfully submitted,

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.97(e)

Sir:

Pursuant to their duty of good faith and candor as set forth in 37 CFR 1.56(a), applicants request that the reference cited on attached form PTO-1449 (a copy of which is enclosed) be considered by the Examiner.

Enclosed also are two new references that were cited and discussed in the office action mailed on January 9, 2008 from Japan Patent Office in a related application. The English abstracts of Japanese Patent Application Publications are also enclosed.

Please note that two English language translations of two of the Japanese Patent Application Publications are also enclosed. Please also note that these English translations are machine translations provided by the Japan Patent Office and the Japan Patent Office states that the translations may not precisely reflect the original Japanese text.

It is hereby certified that each new item of information in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing date hereof.

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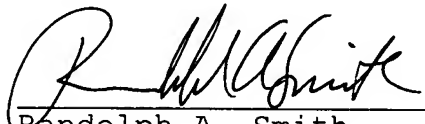
The \$180.00 fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(p) for submission of an Information Disclosure Statement under § 1.97(d) is currently due. As stated in the attached Transmittal Letter, the Commissioner is authorized to charge this \$180.00 fee and any other fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to the Credit Card number listed on the attached Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038 Form), referencing Attorney Docket No. 0074/044001.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

If there are any questions regarding this application, please telephone the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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